Programmes for development of SSIs in Assam

2407. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes and programmes formulated and being implemented in the country particularly in the State of Assam for promotion and development of small scale industries during the last three years; and

(b) the details of funds sanctioned and released in the country for the same during this period, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) The development of small scale industries is primarily the responsibility of the respective State/Union Territory (UT) Governments/Administrations. The Central Government, however, supports and supplements the efforts of the State Governments/UT Administrations through various schemes/programmes relating to credit, infrastructural development, technology upgradation, marketing, entrepreneurial development, credit rating, etc. These schemes/ programmes are implemented across the country, including the State of Assam and are listed in the Statement (See below).

(b) The allocation of funds is made scheme-wise, not State-wise, depending on demand.

Statement

Major schemes and programmes implemented for promotion and development of small scale industries in the country, including Assam

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme/ Programme	Objective
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1.	Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme for Technology Upgradation	Under the Scheme, 15 per cent capital subsidy is granted on loans upto Rs.1 crore for technology upgradation.

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2.	Integrated Infrastructural Development (IID) Scheme	Assistance is provided to State Governments/Implementing Agencies for setting up/upgradation of industrial estates for SSI units, upto 40% of the cost or Rs. 2 crore, whichever is less. For the North Eastern States including Sikkim, Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttaranchal, this assistance is upto 80% of the cost or Rs.4 crore, whichever is less.
3.	Credit Guarantee Fund Scheme	This scheme provides guarantee cover upto 75% of credit (term-loan and working capital loan) extended by banks and financial institutions to new and existing SSI units on loans upto Rs.25 lakh. The scheme is administered by the Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Small Industries (CGTSI) and the member lending institutions (banks, etc.) of CGTSI.
4.	Small Industry Cluster Development Programme (SICDP)	This programme aims at holistic development of industrial clusters, *i.e.* agglomerations of SSI units producing the same or similar types of products in a specific geographical area. The development needs of such clusters are identified through a diagnostic study. Action plan is prepared for development of the cluster in respect of the felt needs in areas like technological upgradation, marketing and export promotion, skill development, establishment of common facility centre, etc. The scheme is implemented through the

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		field institutions of the Ministry of SSI, in collaboration with the States/UTs and/ or autonomous institutions engaged in promotion of small scale industries.
5.	ISO 9000/ISO 14001 Certification Reimburse-ment Scheme	Cost of obtaining ISO 9000 Certification by small scale industries is reimbursed to the extent of 75% or Rs.75,000, whichever is lower. The objective of the scheme is to improve the marketability of the SSI products by enhancing their quality.
6.	Performance and Credit Rating Scheme of SSIs	The objective of the scheme of "Performance and Credit Rating Scheme of SSIs" implemented through the National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC), is to sensitise the SSI units to the need to obtain credit rating and encourage them to maintain good financial track record which would help them earn higher rating for their credit requirements when they approach banks for working capital and term loans. The rating is done by accredited rating agencies. One time grant of upto 75% of the rating fee, subject to a maximum of Rs.40,000, is given to the SSI units availing of the benefit of the scheme.
7.	Raw Material Assistance Scheme	Under this scheme, NSIC provides loans to small scale industries for purchase of raw material, etc., which are procured by NSIC in bulk, based on assessment of demands of SSI units. Raw material depots/godowns in different parts of the country, including Assam, are set up for this purpose.